



CITY OF MERRITT

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBER TUESDAY, MARCH 08, 2011 AT 7:00 PM

1. PRESENT:

Mayor Susan Roline
Councillor D. Baker
Councillor N. Clarke
Councillor M. Goetz
Councillor A. Murdoch
Councillor S. Sanders

REGRETS

Councillor H. Kroeker

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. M. Noble, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. S. Boven, Public Works Manager
Ms. C. Fraser, Deputy Clerk
Mr. L. Plotnikoff, Leisure Services Manager
Mr. D. Tomkinson, Fire Chief
Ms. M. Worrin, Financial Services Manager

Merritt Herald
Merritt News
Shaw Cable

12 Members of the Public

2. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Roline called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

3. PUBLIC INPUT (10 Minutes)

Nil

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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4.1 Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

THAT the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, February 22, 2011 be adopted

5. GENERAL MATTERS - Delegations and Recognitions

ATV/BC

5.1 Quad Riders ATV Association of BC to make a presentation to Council requesting Council support of a "Poker Ride" in the Merritt area; Wayne Dreger, Director ATV/BC February 02, 2011 Letter
File: 0250

Mr. Wayne Dreger, Director ATV/BC presented to Council that the Quad Riders ATV Association of British Columbia will be holding a "Poker Ride" at the Rodeo Grounds in Merritt June 25, 2011 with an expected 300-500 riders. The Association has held discussions with the Merritt RCMP and requested Council provide their support to allow the riders to cross the road at the rodeo grounds with no interference to traffic and the ATV/BC Association will monitor the road

2011 VISITOR GUIDE

5.2 Merritt Herald 2011 Visitor Guide; Etelka Gillespie, Publisher, Merritt Herald February 28, 2011 Letter
File: 0250

Ms. Etelka Gillespie, Publisher, Merritt Herald presented to Council that the Merritt Herald is seeking approval for official status for the "Things to Do in the Nicola Valley" guide. Ms. Gillespie requested a sponsorship of the cover position of the visitor's guide from the City of Merritt at a cost of \$1,200.00

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VISITOR'S GUIDE

- 6.1 Visitor's Guide Presentation; John Morash, Publisher, Merritt News February 07, 2011 Letter
File: 0250

Mr. J. Morash, Publisher, Merritt News presented to Council that the Merritt News is seeking approval for Official status for the Official Visitor's Guide. The theme for the 2011 guide is Flourishing Under the Sun for 100 years. Mr. Morash requested a sponsorship of the back page of the visitor's guide from the City of Merritt at a cost of \$2,575.00.

March 27, 2007 Council Resolution
April 08, 2008 Council Resolution
Official Tourism Guides; Corporate Services Manager's April 01, 2008 Memorandum
February 10, 2009 Council Resolution
February 09, 2010 Council Resolution

Council directed staff to prepare a report addressing the issue of coverage each guide provides

7. BYLAWS

CEMETERY

- 7.1 City of Merritt Cemetery Amendment Bylaw No. 2112, 2011
File: 3900.2087

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

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THAT City of Merritt Cemetery Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 2112, 2011 be adopted

ELECTIONS AND VOTING PROCEDURE

- 7.2 City of Merritt Elections and Voting Procedure and Automated Voting Machines Authorization Bylaw No. 2113, 2011
File: 3900.2113

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

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THAT City of Merritt Elections and Voting Procedure and Automated Voting Machines Authorization Bylaw No. 2113, 2011 be adopted

8. NEW BUSINESS

**GREAT CANADIAN
BIKE RALLY**

- 8.1 Councillor Baker made a notice of motion at the Tuesday, February 22, 2011 Regular Council meeting that the twelve (12) registration packages that come with the Gold Sponsorship for the Great Canadian Bike Rally be drawn in a lottery on the City's website
File: 0250

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

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THAT the twelve (12) registration packages (including full event access wristbands, t-shirt, pin, program, maps etc.) from the "Gold Level" sponsorship to the Great Canadian Bike Rally being held July 14-17, 2011 be offered to the public in a lottery format;

AND THAT Council direct staff to place the lottery application on the City's website and on the City pages in the newspapers;

AND FURTHER THAT the drawn be done on April 14, 2011

Council provided direction to staff regarding limitations for the entry application

**MERRITT'S 100TH
ANNIVERSARY**

- 8.2 Minutes; Merritt's 100th Anniversary Committee February 09, 2011 Meeting
File: 0372

Merritt's 100th Anniversary Committee recommendation to Council:

THAT Council approve use of the Civic Centre, at no charge, for a Community Concert to celebrate the performing arts over the last 100 years as part of the Anniversary celebrations

This request was removed from the agenda

**ENVIRONMENTAL
AWARENESS**

8.3 Minutes; Environmental Awareness Committee January 27, 2011 Meeting
File: 0578

Environmental Awareness Committee recommendation to Council:

THAT Council directs staff to research the possibility of having the glass recycling bin (with the two (2) round holes for glass deposits) be put back at the Recycling Depot

Council discussed this matter and Councillor Clarke will take Council's comments back to the Environmental Awareness Committee. It was suggested that the Environmental Awareness Committee communicate to the public the dangers of placing glass in the blue recycling bags

**CELEBRATE CANADA
PROGRAM**

8.4 Celebrate Canada Program-Canada Day Grant Application; Leisure Services Manager's February 28, 2011 Memorandum
File: 0330

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

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THAT the City authorizes the Leisure Services Manager to apply for a Canada Day Celebration grant in order to help recover some of the costs for the Canada Day event

**COMMUNITY
TOURISM
OPPORTUNITIES
GRANT**

8.5 Community Tourism Opportunities Grant; Erica Hummel, Business & Marketing Manager, Gold Country Communities Society March 02, 2011 Letter
File: 0382

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

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THAT the City of Merritt apply for the Community Tourism Opportunities Grant for tourism signage

9. **NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

10. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

Councillor Sanders requested support to attend the Rural Tourism Conference

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

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THAT Councillor Sanders attend the Rural Tourism Conference in April in 100 Mile House

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

**JANUARY 2011
BYLAW REPORT**

11.1 January 2011 Bylaw Report; Bylaw Services Officer's February 14, 2011 Memorandum
File: 4000

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11.2 One Vision, One Voice, One Company-Terasen Gas/FortisBC; John C. Walker, President and CEO February 23, 2011 Letter
File: 5510

**AIRPORT
COMMITTEE**

11.3 Minutes; Airport Committee February 23, 2011 Meeting
File: 0374

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11.4 Minutes; Merritt's 100th Anniversary Committee February 23, 2011 Meeting
File: 0372

**COMMUNITY
POLICING**

11.5 Merritt Community Policing Month End Report-February 2011; Kelly Donaldson and Cst. Tracy Dunsmore February Report
File: 7500.1

12. TERMINATION OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8:00 p.m.

**Certified correct in accordance with Section 124(2) (c) of the
Community Charter.**

**Original signed by
Deputy Clerk**

Confirmed on the 22nd Day of March, 2011

**Original signed by
Mayor**